

Jackie Woods named outstanding instructor at MacArthur Tech.



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Jackie Woods, welding instructor at MacArthur State Technical College in Opp, has been named Outstanding Welding Educator for District 9 of the American Welding Society.

He was presented the award at the district conference May 9 in Mobile. Woods is a certified welding inspector and a certified welder in all welding phases of various organizations.

Since earning his welding diploma at MacArthur, he has also earned A.S., B.S., and Masters degrees and is currently enrolled in the doctoral program at Auburn University.

MacArthur interim president Wayne Bennett said that during the 16 years Mr. Woods has served as welding instructor at MacArthur, "he has committed himself to self-improvement, the enhancement of

his program, and the development of each person fortunate enough to be his student."

Woods and his wife Beverly are members of the First Unity Baptist Church in Andalusia.

Heart of Dixie to host End of Summer Festival

Heart of Dixie Bluegrass will host an End of Summer Bluegrass Festival Aug. 22 and 23.

Featured artists will be Grand Ole Opry star Mac Wiseman, J.D. Crowe and others.

Showtimes are Friday, 6-11, and Saturday 12 Noon until 11 p.m.

Prices are: advance weekend tickets - \$24.00; Friday - \$12; Saturday - \$16; children 12 and under admitted free when accompanied by a parent.

For reservations for camping or for tickets call 1-800-695-6830, Ext. 69, Roger or Pat Boothe.



VISITORS KILL LARGE RATTLESNAKE Kevin Howard, holding the dead snake, killed this 15 rattle rattlesnake Monday afternoon in the road near the Elba County Club. Howard, who lives in Virginia and works in Washington D. C., and his family are visiting his parents, Robert and Virginia Howard of Elba. Pictured above are Kevin's wife Marian, daughter Lauren, Kevin, daughter Lindsey and sister Kelley McElroy, holding her son Kyle and also Kelley's daughter Nikki. The McElroys are enroute to their new home in Australia, where husband and father is awaiting their arrival without the rattlesnake!

Foggy Bottom Pageant set for September 6

The first Foggy Bottom Pageant is set for Saturday, Sept. 6, beginning at 2 p.m. at Miller Memorial Stadium (behind the old Elba High School).

The pageant will be held in conjunction with the first Foggy Bottom Festival.

There will be six age divisions: Tiny Tot - Ages 2-4; Little Miss - K - grade 3; Mini Miss - Grades 4-6; Jr. Miss - Grades 7-9; Miss - Grades 10-12; Miss Foggy Bottom - College.

Each contestant will wear country and western attire (no pageant dresses). Entrance fee will be \$10, which fee will also cover admission to activities as well as the concert.

Deadline to register is Friday, Aug. 29. Entry forms can be picked up and returned to the Chamber of Commerce office at City Hall, 200 Buford St. in Elba.

This will be an open pageant. Proceeds of the pageant will go toward restoring the old Coffee County Jail as a Law Enforcement museum.

For more information call Barbara Hudson at 897-3125 or 897-6918, or Starla Amison at 897-8301.



PICTURED ABOVE ARE W. Roy Crow (l) vice president of Alabama Power Company, presenting a check for \$25,000 to W. Fred Dykes, executive director of the Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission. The funds are to be used by the commission to assist in the development and start-up of the Southeast Alabama Network Project, which will serve schools, libraries, governments, and citizens in the southeast Alabama region of Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry and Houston counties. Mr. Crow stated that Alabama Power Company is pleased to participate in this worthwhile project which "will help prepare our work force for the 21st century and make the region more attractive for business investment."

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was for extending sewer line to some unserved areas of the city. Elba scored 227 and the cut-off point this year was at 333.

He also informed council members of the ongoing battle with the Corp of Engineers on the levee repair project. Originally the Corps had agreed to a 75-25 set-up with Elba paying the 25%. Now they are demanding a 65-35% sharing. Elba officials in Washington have been contacted and the Corps has received a letter reminding them of the original commitment.

Engineer Charles Peters gave council members some comparative sewer rates as they work on plans for a major sewer revitalization/expansion project. Such a project would require an increase in sewer rates for the federal agencies to approve the multi-million dollar loan and grant.

Peters asked council members to discuss the matter and let him know if they wanted to proceed with the public hearings and loan request. He added that Elba has a chronic problem and something must be done sooner or later.

He mentioned the possibility of changing to a "pressure sewer system" which might be cheaper, but where it has been proposed there is a

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County schools show increase in enrollment

by Marvin McLwain - Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education held its "regular" monthly meeting on Tuesday night, August 12, instead of Thursday, August 14. Superintendent Roger Bowden told school board members that the county school system's enrollment was up slightly over last year's. The first day of school on Monday, Au-

gust 11, showed 2,046 students on rolls. That was 15 more students than last year starting day enrollment. Ritchie said the work on the new system's architect, gave the board an update on the PSCA (Public Schools and College Authority) projects.

He stated that work had started on the lunchrooms at Zion Chapel High

School and New Brockton Elementary School. Also construction on a new classroom at New Brockton High School is underway.

Ritchie said the work on the new classroom at Kinston High School has not started at the present time but should be underway in the near future.

Board members were told that these projects should be completed by late November or early December.

A new 1996-97 salary schedule was approved by the board. According to Supt. Bowden, it consisted of four major changes. They were as follows:

1.) Adjustments were made in salaries brought about by the Matrix Law. Those who were due a raise due to experience got one and those teachers who stated they would receive a full 5 percent increase.

2.) The supplements for girls' basketball coaches were made equal to the boys' basketball coach provided the girls played at least a 20-game schedule. A \$600 supplement was added for assistant coaches (softball, baseball and volleyball).

3.) A clerical aide position at Kinston and Zion Chapel Elementary Schools.

4.) Raised the base salaries for those individuals which were affected by the change in the minimum wage law last year.

The board adopted the state's athletic association's no-pass-no play policy.

This policy requires a student to have an overall average grade of 70 percent in six classes instead of five to participate in extra curricular activities. Four of those have to be the major courses - English, Math, Science, and Social Studies.

Monthly bills totaling \$28,630.66 were approved for payment.

year's grades will determine the student's eligibility next year," said Bowden.

The following personnel action was recommended by Bowden and approved by the board:

*Sandra Clark Skinner employed as P.E. instructor at Zion Chapel Elementary School.

*Joyce Osunde hired as special education teacher at New Brockton High School (NBHS).

*Accepted the resignation of Wendy Thorne at Kinston Elementary School.

*Accepted the resignation of David Collins at Zion Chapel High School.

*Approved Yvonne Swidargal's request for a transfer from special education teacher at KHS to the same position at KES.

*Employed Debbie Hernandez as special education teacher at KHS.

*Employed Pat Cape as a clerical aide at Zion Chapel High & Elementary Schools.

*Approved the hiring of Calandra White and J. L. Weeks as At-Risk In-School Suspension program monitors.

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ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG... going on in Elba, AL. Students from Troy State University (TSU) are making test digs on a vacant lot near the intersection of AL Hwy. 87N and AL 203 (by-pass). McDonald Brooms, director of TSU's archaeology program, said that several interesting objects have been found on the test site. The students have made five digs, rectangular in shape and two to three feet deep, on the lot. They have found objects consisting of arrowheads, broken glass (old medicine bottle), old nails, broken pottery objects, and various other items which indicate that some kind of dwelling was once located on the site. Should enough objects be found to indicate there might be more historical artifacts on the site, a more extensive excavation will be undertaken. This is one of eleven sites that will be tested along the proposed route of U. S. Hwy. 84. The federal government is funding the project since it involves a federal highway. (More pictures on Page 2)

ATLANTA POLICE ARREST MARCUS ANTONIO JONES
Second murder suspect arrested

by Marvin McLwain - Editor

The second suspect being sought in the murder and robbery of Ronald Howard Jenkins, an assistant manager of an Enterprise grocery store, was arrested in Atlanta, GA last week, August 12.

Marcus Antonio Jones, 26, of Daleville, was arrested by Atlanta police at approximately 5:20 a.m. on Tuesday, August 12.

A warrant for Jones' arrest on capital murder charges had been issued for him concerning the murder of Jenkins on the night of July 28. The warrant was issued by 12th Judicial Circuit District Attorney Mark Fuller.

Jones is the second individual arrested in the Jenkins murder. Kassey Bernard Reedy, 25, of Enterprise was arrested August 7.

Reedy is being held in the Coffee County Jail without bond following his initial appearance on Friday, August 8.

During that court hearing, Reedy commented, "I had nothing to do with the killing of Jenkins."

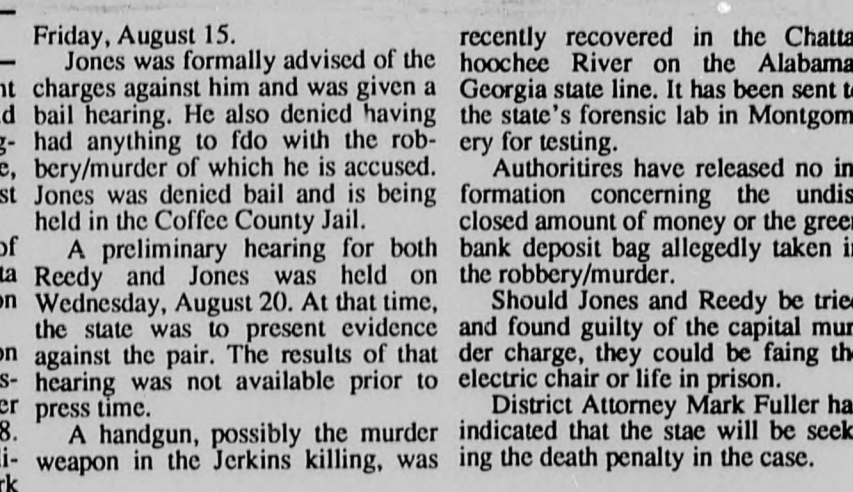
Following Jones' extradition back to Enterprise to face capital murder charges, an initial appearance before District Judge Steve Blair was held.

A handgun, possibly the murder weapon in the Jenkins killing, was recently recovered in the Chattahoochee River on the Alabama-Georgia state line. It has been sent to the state's forensic lab in Montgomery for testing.

Authorities have released no information concerning the undisclosed amount of money or the green bank deposit bag allegedly taken in the robbery/murder.

Should Jones and Reedy be tried and found guilty of the capital murder charge, they could be facing the electric chair or life in prison.

District Attorney Mark Fuller has indicated that the state will be seeking the death penalty in the case.



MAYOR PURCHASES FIRST TICKET... Elba Mayor James Grimes is pictured above purchasing the first ticket to the Foggy Bottom Festival entertainment from Barbara Hudson, Executive Director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce. Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased from any C of C board member at Elba City Hall. The cost is \$5.00.

HAPPENINGS
FOGGY BOTTOM FESTIVAL. The Elba Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a "Miss Foggy Bottom" Pageant in conjunction with Foggy Bottom Festival on Saturday, September 6, 1997. The festival and pageant, as well as many other activities, will be held in Miller Memorial Stadium in downtown Elba. The day's activities will begin at 12:00 noon and conclude with a concert by Rob & Kelly Hudson and Nashville band at 6:00 p.m. For additional information call the Elba Chamber of Commerce at 897-3125.

JAIL RESTORATION. Support the restoration of the old Coffee County Jail in Elba by purchasing "brick pavers" to be used in the walkway and court yard projects. A brick with three lines of engraved print (each line limited to 13 letters) may be purchased for \$35 each. Contact the Chamber at (334)897-3125 for additional information on this project.

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The world is full of surprises, both large and those not so large. After writing last week about the smoking ordinance under consideration by the Elba city council, we expected to hear complaints from dedicated smokers. Just the opposite was true. We didn't hear a single complaint from smokers. The only comments were from those who continue to complain about their thoughtless co-workers who consistently blow secondhand smoke into their face.

The Alabama Legislature is back in Montgomery... hold on to your pocketbook! Governor James called them back because he had vetoed the first general fund and education budgets they had passed for the fiscal year beginning October 1st. There was a lot of special project monies in those, as in other budgets from past years. Lawmakers have gotten more creative with their ways of disguising the pork funds, even as watchdogs get better at finding the secret hiding places. Governor Fob James cut out... maybe they will cut it back a little. Actually, the vetoing had a real benefit, that even the governor wasn't aware of at the time. Tax experts are presently predicting a lower tax income than earlier expected. Now lawmakers can lower the budget and maybe prevent proration at the end of the year.

In case Elba Clipper readers are looking for something to get excited about... well President Bill Clinton is on a three week vacation! One friend got so excited over that bit of news, he was speechless for a full minute. Actually, people in that position never get a "real" vacation. They take what is called "working vacations" in which they play a lot of golf, fish often and have aides run after them with a stack of papers for the executive to sign. These aides are also constantly handing them detailed reports on what is going on in Washington and around the world and telling them what they should say and/or do about it.

The UPS strike is apparently over. Both management and union leaders are thumping their chest over the good deal which was cut. When the dust settles, it will be interesting to see how well the working grunts fared in this saga. The workers, not the expensive suit and union management folks, were the ones this was supposed to be about and the question is did they gain enough benefits to justify the loss of almost three weeks pay? This is not really any of our business, but some of those drivers are personal friends and our interest sprouts from concern for their continued welfare.

We read about this guy in Birmingham who has invented a sure fire, very effective snake trap! It consists of a cardboard box with a strip of special glue inside to stick the snakes. This sounds almost too good to be true, but they were even displaying a picture of the system. Even the snake lovers can't complain about this deal, because the glue which catches the snake can be dissolved by pouring vegetable oil on it. The snake can then be released somewhere away from the house, garage or wherever it was caught. Personally, those rattlers, and other poisonous vipers, would never have another chance if caught in our trap!

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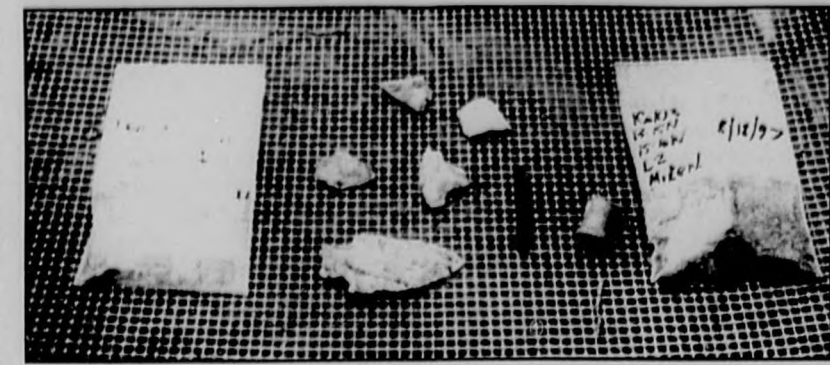
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ELBA POLICE REPORT

AUGUST 11 THRU AUGUST 17, 1997

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, August 11, 1997, investigated the following incidents: one burglary, one VPL, one assault, one harassment, one criminal trespass, three thefts of property, one criminal mischief, one death investigation, and one hit and run (vehicle). Arrests made during the week include: one for VPL, one for harassment, one for assault, one for failure to appear, one for burglary.

Traffic citations issued were as follows: seven for speeding, one for passing in a no-passing zone, two for running a red light, one for running a stop sign, one for no driver's license, one for driving without a driver's license. Daily activity highlights were as follows: MONDAY, AUGUST 11 - River stage - no report; Fire department dispatched to a mobile home fire on Adams St. (6:40 a.m.); Burglary reported at Headstart (8:37 a.m.); Wreck reported on U. S. Hwy. 84E (9:37 p.m.).

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12 - Wreck reported on AL Hwy. 87N (3:32 a.m.); Fire and rescue units dispatched to wreck on AL Hwy. 87N (3:32 a.m.); River stage - 3.40 foot (6:12 a.m.); Alarm at Elba High School (6:45 a.m.); Wreck reported on U. S. Hwy. 84E (8:32 a.m.).

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13 - River stage - 3.04 foot (6:58 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on River-view Dr. (7:41 p.m.); Routine activity.

MAKING OURSELVES CLEARER

The Elba Clipper wants to correct errors that appear in this newspaper.

Any reader wishing to point out our errors, whether ours or those of our sources, should contact the editor at 897-2823. Clarifications will appear promptly in this space.

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First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
ELBA MINISTRIES ASSN. - Tues. 8:00 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Monday - 6:00 p.m. City Hall
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COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday of each month - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brookton
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. - 5:30 p.m. - Supp. Office
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. - 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 7:00 p.m. - Rescue Squad Building
MASONIC LODGE 178 1st & 3rd Monday of each month - 7 p.m.
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COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 1st Wed. Noon - Colony Inn, Enterprise
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 1st Tuesday night Noon - City Hall Conference Room
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Mac Wiseman to appear at Elba Bluegrass Festival

Grand Ole Opry star, Mac Wiseman will perform at the Heart of Dixie Music Park in Elba, Alabama on August 22 & 23. Mac Wiseman, pioneer of country music and bluegrass music, has recorded over 50 albums to date. He has also appeared many times on the WSM Grand Ole Opry and took country and bluegrass music to another level by appearing in prestigious places such as Carnegie Hall, The Hollywood Bowl, Smithsonian Institute, Kennedy Center, Madison Square Gardens, and the Wimbly Arena. He has also appeared on television shows such as Hee Haw, Austin City Limits, Nashville Now, the Grand Ole Opry Live, Crook & Chase, Music City Tonight, and the Statler Brothers Show.

Mac Wiseman is best known for his country classic - Jimmy Brown the Newsboy and his many years performing with such great artists as Bill Monroe, Lester Flatt and Earl Scruggs, and many more. Mac Wiseman has been very instrumental in the planning and promotion of the Heart of Dixie Music Park and was one of the first Nashville artists to perform there. He looks forward to returning to Elba and seeing his many friends and fans.

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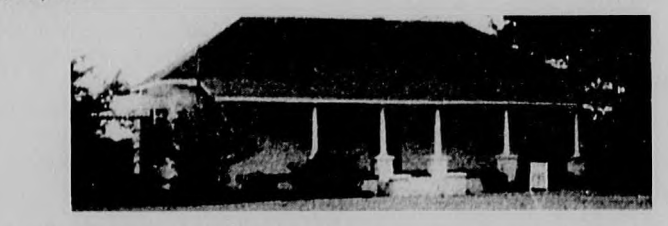
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Alberta Martin, oldest living Confederate Widow receives recognition

by Linda Hodge
Elba High School graduate and journalism student at Troy State University

Alberta Martin receives recognition by being the oldest living Confederate widow, and she is able to participate in historical events because of it. Chancey insists that the importance of Martin is not that she is receiving pensions because she was married to a Confederate soldier, but she was married to a man who fought in one of the most brutal wars throughout history. "He didn't talk about it much," Martin said when asked why her husband told her about the war. "He did believe that he was fighting for our freedom."

Martin said that about the only thing her husband told her about the war was that they would have to put sticks over the streams of water after it rained to keep from sleeping in the water.

"It depended on what they had gone through as to whether a soldier spoke of the war," said Patrick Harris, professor and chairman of the History Department at Troy State University. "If the soldier said a lot of brutal fighting, he was more reluctant to talk about the war."

Harris said that Confederate soldiers believed that they were fighting for their independence where as a Union soldier fought to restore the Union and destroy slavery.

Chancey believes that the Civil War was very important in regard to the constitution. He said that it is a part of the heritage for the South and should not be let to die. This is why he was so dedicated to helping Martin receive her pension once he learned of her status.

"I read an article on Alberta Martin and decided to look into her situation," said Chancey in regard to how he got involved. "I found a law for the pension and with the help of a few other people, I filed for the pension."

Before Martin was granted the pension, the motion had to go through state and federal agencies. The motion was approved and at that point Martin began receiving her pension and was recognized as the last living Confederate widow. Neither Martin nor Chancey would elaborate on the amount of the pension.

"Dr. Chancey wanted to give it a try and he did," Martin said. "I know I would have never gotten anything if it were not for him. It don't make me high-headed, I'm just proud to be honored."

Martin enjoyed a special event recently when she met one of the two remaining Union widows. The day was filled with special moments as the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Sons of Union Veterans brought the two ladies together.

The day's events began with breakfast at Lee's Headquarters. It had been previously arranged by park officials to allow Martin the chance to eat with Lee's silversware. "I was honored when they let me eat breakfast with General Robert E. Lee's silversware," said Martin. "They took them away quickly after I finished eating though."

"You could see that a certain chemistry developed between the two ladies," said Rick Griffin, Lt. Commander in Chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Martin and Anderson met at Lee's Headquarters before going to funeral services held for an unknown soldier of the Civil War. The bones of the



Alberta Martin

soldier were found last year by archaeologists.

The best part of the day was having the two ladies meet," said Patrick Harris, representative for Lee's Headquarters Museum at Gettysburg National Military Park. "It was a once in a lifetime experience. It will never happen again, but I wish it would."

"It was awful nice to meet her," said Martin. "She is just a sweet person. I wish they would have given us more time to talk though. They kept us so busy that we didn't get to talk much during the day."

After meeting, the ladies joined the procession for the unknown soldier. Both the colorguard for the Confederacy and the Union were present at the funeral.

"It was the most reverent funeral I've ever attended," said Martin. "The widows participated in the funeral by each placing a red rose on the casket. They each placed a rose because it is unknown if the soldier was Confederate or Union."

"It was sad to me," said Martin. "Tears were coming to my eyes. It was good that they let me and Mrs. Anderson put the roses on the casket because they don't know which side the soldier fought for in the war."

The day's events also included a significant handshake between the two ladies. The handshake was meant to symbolize that of the soldiers who used to meet at "Bloody Angle" and shake hands after the war ended. It was a handshake which signified that the war was over.

"To see the two ladies shake hands was very electrifying," said Griffin. "It was a handshake with meaning and purpose. The ladies show the spirit of unity and healing of the wounds that may still exist."



The family of Beulah Allen wish to thank everyone for the flowers, food, prayers and the many acts of kindness shown during the death of our loved one.

The Allen Family 8-21-19

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WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR!

Dear Editor, I need good homes for three wonderful dogs. They have had their shots and summer grooming. One is a young beautiful black small Cocker Spaniel. He is a precious dog, very gentle and full of energy. His name is Shadow and is a great pet. Then last but certainly not least is Roger. I can't say enough about Roger. He is a small male pit Corgy. He is brown and white and a delight to have around the house. He is always at the door to say goodbye or hello wagging his friendly little tail. These three dogs are available to the right people. Please don't call unless you are going to make house dogs of them or have a large yard with a dog house. All three came from the Animal Shelter, either lost or unwanted. They have been with me several months and now know what love and good care means. Please call for an appointment to see these darlings, as are tremendous dogs looking for a bit of food and a little love. As I have told you many times, they are killed if not adopted within seven days of their arrival. Respectfully yours, Bernice Clay Phone: 897-6469

Dear Ferrin, I am very excited about the FIRST FOGGY BOTTOM PAGEANT. This pageant will be held Saturday, Sept. 6, beginning at 2 p.m. at Miller Memorial Stadium at the first Foggy Bottom Festival. We will have six divisions:

Tiny Tot - Ages 2-4
Little Miss - K - Grade 3
Mini Miss - Grades 4-6
Jr. Miss - Grades 7-9
Sr. Miss - Grades 10-12
Miss Foggy Bottom - College

Since this is our first "Foggy Bottom" pageant and will be a Country and Western theme, we are asking that each contestant wear Country and Western attire, and we feel this will be of little or no extra expense to parents.

Pageant dresses will not be appropriate for this pageant. In doing this we feel contestants will be more comfortable and have more fun. The judges will be instructed to choose the contestant who looks the best in the outfit of her choosing and not to compare outfits.

Entrance fee will be \$10 and will be due at the time entrance forms are submitted. The \$10 entrance fee will also cover admission to the activities of the day as well as the concert.

Deadline to enter the pageant is Friday, Aug. 29. Entry forms can be picked up and returned to the Chamber office, Elba City Hall, 200 Buford St., Elba, AL 36323, or your school office.

Rehearsal will be held at the Elba Elementary School Cafeteria on Thursday, Sept. 4, 5:30 - 6:30 for ages 2 - grade 6 (Tiny Tot, Little Miss, and Mini Miss); and 7 - 8 for grades 7 - college (Jr. Miss, Sr. Miss, and Miss).

Rehearsals are not mandatory; however, it is necessary that you contact me at 897-8301; Kim Lowery at 897-3406; or Barbara Hudson at 897-3125 to arrange for a contestant number.

Winners of the pageant will be crowned and recognized at the concert at 6 p.m.

Please get your completed entrance forms to the Chamber office as soon as possible. Starla H. Amison Pageant Director

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AREA DEATHS

CECELIA ROGERS

Mrs. Cecelia Rogers died Aug. 4, 1997, in the Pike Manor Health Center, Troy. She was born Jan. 23, 1903, in Dale County, Ala.

Funeral services were held Aug. 9, 1997, at 1 p.m. at Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church, New Brookton, with Rev. Raymond Rogers officiating. Burial was in the Shady Grove Cemetery with Hammond Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include three daughters: Mac Edith Dossie and Yvonne Stuckey, Irvington, N.Y.; Ernestine R. Harley, Enterprise; three sons: Lennie Floyd Rogers, Rev. Raymond Rogers, and William S. Rogers, 29 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

LEVY (TRAY) COLE III

Levy Cole III, age 17, of Elba died August 12, 1997 at the Elba General Hospital.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 16, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. at Shady Grove A.M.E. Church with Rev. Freddie Flowers officiating. Burial was in the Shady Grove Cemetery with Hammond Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include: his mother: Pearl Mae Cole; his father: Levy Cole, both of Elba; one sister: Kristi Cole, one brother: Steven Cole both of Elba; one grandmother: Mable Taylor, Troy, AL; one great-grandmother: Lee Ella Robinson, Elba.

GROVER BROOKS

Mr. Grover Brooks, age 68 of Enterprise, died August 16, 1997 at his home.

Funeral services were held at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel, August 18, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Richard Lawson officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include: his wife: Dotie Brooks, Enterprise; one daughter: Kathy Young, Boynton Beach, FL; four step daughters: Carol Davenport and Melba Owens, Lake Wales, FL; Joyce Hulet, Lakeland, FL; two Mary Revel, Kissimmee, FL; two step sons: Bruce Anderson, Lake Wales, FL and Steve Anderson, OK; one sister: Christine Leonard, Opp, AL; three brothers: Jesse Rowe Brooks, Union Springs, AL; Collis Brooks, Elba and James Brooks, Birmingham, AL; 11 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

MAVIN B. MATTHEWS

Mrs. Mavin B. Matthews, age 81 of Elba died August 16, 1997, at Elba General Hospital.

Funeral services were held at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel, August 18, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Donnie Marler officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include two daughters: Judy M. Prater, Opp and Vivian Hargrove, Elba; one sister: Nadine Ryals, Chickasaw, AL; 5 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

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Misty Smart wins swimming trophies



Misty Smart Wins Trophies

The trophy on the right was for earning the highest points in her age division. The trophy on the left is a Team Participation Trophy. She also won heat ribbons including one for first place.

Although Misty has been swimming since age 3, this was the first year she has participated in one of the Swim Teams. Swimming is a popular sport in that area, having about 19 teams in the vicinity. The team coach's motto is "Swimmers are clean kids".

Proud grandparents are Paul and Edna Smart and Tom and Lucile Sexton, all of Elba.

NEW ARRIVAL

AARON SCOTT ROBERTS

Hobson, Tina and Mara Roberts, along with parents Tate and Russ Roberts of Chelsea, AL, welcomed the arrival of Aaron Scott Roberts, August 6, 1997 at 7:44 a.m.

Aaron weighed 8 lbs and 4 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

He is the grandson of Charlotte and Richard Hobson of Elba and Connie Roberts of Eclectic. His great grandmother is Mrs. Annie L. Hobson, Laurel MS.

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Social and Community News

Adkison-Heilbron wedding planned for August 23rd

Miss Markell Adkison will become the bride of Mr. James Heilbron on Saturday, Aug. 23, at seven o'clock in the evening at Auburn United Methodist Church, 220 East

Magnolia Ave., Auburn, Ala. After the ceremony, a reception will be held at The Heritage House on 714 Second Avenue in Opelika. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Garrett Dunn celebrates 3rd birthday



Garrett Dunn

Garrett Dunn celebrated his 3rd birthday on Saturday, July 19 with a party at the home of his parents, Troy and Jill Dunn and sister Peyton.

His party theme was road construction. Decorations included a "Dirt Cake" topped with mini construction vehicles, road signs and caution cones. Yellow, black and red balloons and caution tape were used to add festivity to the room.

Those helping him celebrate were: Mable Lee, Morgan and Dina Matthews, Pam Smith, DeAnn Smith, Martha Davis "McMe", Doc and Erin Myers, Stacey Parker, Rachel and Mike Parker, Jessica Dunn, Benji Hutchison, Janna Windham, Sydney Williamson, Ashley Horton, Amy and Whitney Rugg. Grandparents: Jackie and Charlotte Windham, Doug Dunn, Great grandparents: William and Carolyn Colvin and Jack and Jessie Windham.



Wyndi Tucker McLendon

Miss McLendon and Mr. Whatley announce wedding plans

Mr. and Mrs. Warren McLendon of Ozark announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Wyndi Tucker McLendon, to Brian Heath Whatley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Baker Whatley of Echo, Ala.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Adelle Tucker and the late William H. Tucker of Elba and Mrs. Mrs. Hoyle McLendon.

The future groom is the grandson of Mrs. Ruby Riley and the late Roy Riley of Bertha, Ala., and Mrs. Maudie Barr of Phenix City.

He is a 1992 graduate of G.W. Long High School and a 1994 graduate of Wallace College in Dothan. He attended Troy State University and is employed by Pea River Electric Cooperative.

The wedding will take place on Sept. 6 at 6 p.m. at Skipperville United Methodist Church. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

MADISON TATE ENGLISH

Todd and Blanca English of Sea-side, CA, announce the birth of a daughter, Madison Tate English on July 8, 1997.

Madison Tate weighed 7 lbs. and 14 ounces and measured 20 inches in length.

She was welcomed home by her big sister, Rhiannon, age 1 1/2.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill English, Elba and Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Medina of Chaparral, NM.

Courtney Rugg

Courtney Rugg graduates from Kindergarten

Courtney Rugg recently graduated from Kindergarten at Calvary Christian School, Greenwood, S.C. While attending school she received several awards: Golden Coral Student of the Month, attendance, "ABC and 1-2-3", "I Know My Shapes", Special Person, Top Student, Memorizing Bible Verses, and Good Behavior award.

Courtney is the daughter of Steven Ted Rugg and Peggy Whitman Rugg, formerly of Elba. Proud grandparents are Ted and Betty Rugg of Jack, and the late Hubert and Ann Whitman of Elba.

The Handy and Andy Boutwell Reunion is planned for August 31

The Boutwell reunion will be held Sunday, August 31, at the Victoria Community Building.

This reunion includes descendants of Handy and Andy Boutwell.

A covered dish dinner is planned. For more information call 897-3284 or 735-0079.

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Methodist launch campaign

The Elba United Methodist Church launched a Sunday School Attendance Campaign on August 10, 1997. The campaign began with a breakfast served to the children and youth. It was prepared by the men of the church and enjoyed by twenty five appreciative people. The campaign has been given the slogan, "Celebrate Jesus".

The Church feels blessed to have dedicated teachers. Elementary classes are taught by Susan Barnes, Millie McCollough, Kathy Bozeman and Lucia Grant-ham. The high school class is taught by Tim and Carol Jackson. There are also several active adult classes within the church. To anyone searching for a Sunday School to attend, The Elba United Methodist Church extends an open invitation.

New Haven to celebrate Homecoming

New Haven Baptist Church will have Homecoming Sunday, Aug. 24. Regular order of worship will be

Men's and Women's Day to be held at Johns Chapel AME

Men's and Women's Day will be celebrated at Johns Chapel A.M.E. Church on Sunday, Aug. 24, at 11 a.m. Men and women of the church will lead the order of service as Pastor Guice brings the message. Everyone is invited.

Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street meet

Members of the Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street met for their weekly meeting at the HRDC building on Factory St. The meetings are so much more pleasurable since the installation of our air conditioning, courtesy of Mr. Charles Kennett. Some of the members were sick and others just weren't able to come.

Spiritual Explosion planned at John's Chapel AME

As a prelude to Men's and Women's Day at Johns Chapel A.M.E. Church in Enterprise, a "Spiritual Explosion" will take place at the church on Friday, Aug. 22, at 7 p.m. The Scripture reference, Acts 2:1-2, will provide the foundation as four evangelists share messages. Leading the services will be Ministers Dug Tuggle and Toni Ruffins, Marietta, Ga.; Maria Leake, Austell, Ga.; and evangelist Cori Albert of Atlanta ministering in song. For more information call Brenda Jackson at 347-0680.

Gospel Sing to be held at Friendship Holiness Church

There will be a Gospel Sing at Friendship Holiness Church on Saturday, Aug. 23, beginning at 7 p.m. Featured singers will be the Good News Quartet. Everyone is welcome. The church is located between Elba and Opp.

David Mitchell to speak at Victoria Baptist Church

David Mitchell, a missionary to the deaf in Puerto Rico, will be speaking at the Victoria Baptist Church, Wednesday, August 27 at 7:00 p.m. A fellowship will follow. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Revival Services planned at Newbia Baptist Church

Revival Services will begin at Newbia Baptist Church Sunday, August 24 with the morning worship service at 11:00 a.m. and evening service at 6:00 p.m. Evening services held Monday - Wednesday will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Bro. Donnie Marler from Dorcas Baptist Church will be bringing the message. Everyone is invited to attend these services.



Mr. and Mrs. Otha Farris

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Farris to celebrate 50th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Farris will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on August 30, 1997. Their family, Phil, Susie, Matthew and Elizabeth Farris, invite all friends and family to a celebration of this golden anniversary on August 31, 1997, from 2:00 until 3:30 p.m. at Liberty Church of Christ, located on Route 3, Highway 87 South in Elba, AL. Your attendance is gift enough.

Worship At The Church Of Your Choice This Sunday!!

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<p>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN.</p> <p>HOUR OF TRUTH - WELB 1359 AM - 1:30-2:00 PM - Sun. Rev. James Rodgers</p> <p>Noon Devotion WELB Monday thru Friday 12:00 - 12:20 p.m. - Bill Beck</p> <p>ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Milton Harrington Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST Eddie Bass Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Robert Davis Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST E. H. Hill Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 12:00 noon 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays</p> <p>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH - FARM GOLFES Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Dorcas Marler Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST - HILL BECK, MINISTER Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>THE SHEPHERD'S FOLD CHURCH OF GOD Lester Dean Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE - JIMMY PORTER Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Billy J. Reed Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:30 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Rev. Robert Paul Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Willie L. Peterson Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:30 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELANON BAPTIST CHURCH Bernard Strickland Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH Sam Tatum Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>FATH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Dorcas Marler Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY - J. E. Wesley Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Serv. 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 5:30 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Kinodon - Danny Bradshaw Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Serv. 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS - Joe B. Grimes-Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sun. Evening 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH - Willie L. Peterson Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HARBIS TEMPLE COGIC - Pastor W. K. Ellison Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Shirley Ellis Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HERBON BAPTIST CHURCH - Frank Lowery Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Wesley D. Ad Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>INO BAPTIST CHURCH - Jimmy Bryan - Minister Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Richard Moss Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Eddie Davis Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Rev. Walter Faulk Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:15 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>KINSTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WORD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH - Rev. & Mrs. Simeon - Pastors Sunday School 6:00 p.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Youth Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST - Greg Hatcher - Minister Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH - J. R. Parks - Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST - Elbert Smith Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Bible Study 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW FREEZER BAPTIST - Alfred Huser Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Charlie Shields Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Jack Wilkes Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH J. C. Turner Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - Loretta Flowers Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:30 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION - Mary Seaver Sunday Morning Services 10:30 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. - Hurron, Linda Williams Sunday School 10 & 11 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Even. 7:30 p.m. Fri. Even. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH - Calton Davis Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW BROCKTON METHODIST - Ben McKee Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH - Campbell Sasser Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH - Ben Among Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH - Tony Dye Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH - Danny Medley Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WISE HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Kenneth Hager Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Serv. 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST Seaborn Wooten Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH - Mike Medley Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH - Raymond Miller Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Serv. 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION COMMUNITY CHURCH Nathan Johnson Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Thursday Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST Rev. Russell Abbott Church Service 9:30 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sun. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 1st, 2nd & 4th Sun. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sun. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FERRIS ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Keith Price Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p>
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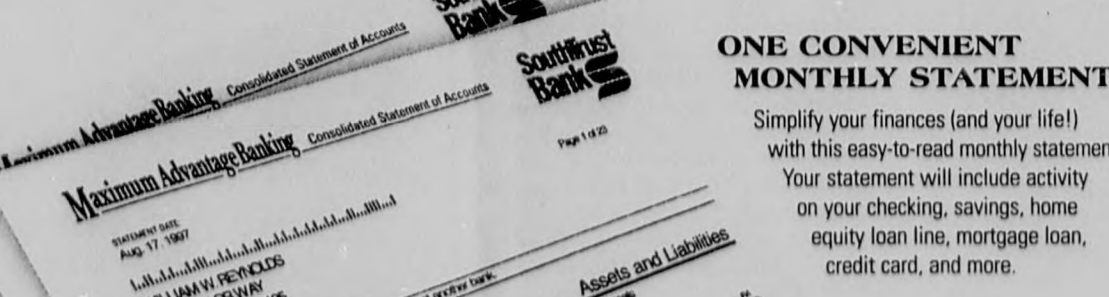
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***August Birthdays: Cathryn Carpenter-August 15, Otis & Joyce B. Johnson - Wedding Anniversary - August 15, Ree Nita Brook-August 17, Steve and Stanley Caldwell - August 23, Alan Belcher-August 26 and Lance Cross-August 30.

***Homecoming: The New Hope Baptist Church, Lurven, AL. Rev. Raymond Mallard, pastor, celebrated homecoming, Sunday, August 17, 1997, program beginning at 2:30 p.m. Rev. A. R. Williams, Elba pastor of Rocky Head MB Church, Elba and Shiloh MB Church, Elba and Shiloh MB Church, (Tarentum, Community) Brundage, AL, was guest minister. Those attending this occasion from Rocky and Shiloh were: Rev. A.R. Williams, Bessie Keitha, Brett, Chastity and La'Rita, Rev. Ronnie Caldwell, Lisa, Brandy, Rev. Willie Edwards, Juanita Brooks, Dee'Nard and Ree'Nita, Freddy Culver and Patti, Mario, Andrew Robinson, Aleo Greta and Novella, Kaia Phillips, Cathryn Carpenter and Titeanna, Evelyn Manning, Brittany Daniels, Stephanie Williams, William Carpenter, Calvin Carpenter, Marjetta and Ashley, Derrick Duncan, David Carpenter, Roderick Rixaux, Jana Kelley, Leo Henderson, Voncie Flowers, Samuel Floumoy and Evelyn, Hattie Bell Carpenter, Mary A. Hooks, Christina Nelson, Isaac and Lance Cross, Lucinda Carpenter, J.L. and Estella Williams, Martha Robinson, Wallace & Mattie Belcher, Chris West, Ebony and Justin, Annie Pearl Carpenter, Marc Henderson, Jennifer, Marcus and Martha, Grover and Eria Belcher.

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Mustard Seed Foundation News

The seniors met at the Mustard Seed Foundation and had a time of fellowship, played games, and enjoyed a lunch. Those present at the meeting were Mary Seavey, Dorothy Nell Crawley, Diane Hudson, Mattie Lou Goodson, Margie Smith, Louise Wambles, Rushia Blandin, Frank and Annie McCollough.

There were several of the members missing due to sickness. The seniors request prayer for all the seniors who were out sick.

The seniors which meet at the Foundation invite other seniors to come and join the fellowship. They meet every Wednesday at about 10:00 a.m. The Foundation is located in the Victoria Community on Coffee County #211.

For more information about the senior group call 897-6647 or 735-2456.

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Boys grades 7-12 for the future of America. If you want to join the Boy's to Men Club of Elba, a club that envisions unity, getting along with others, enhanced, self-esteem, social skills, wholesome fun, attending church together, touring businesses, and other recreational activities, "THEN WE WANT YOU!!" Regardless of your race, creed or color. We want you in our club. For more information please call: (334)897-5931, 897-8411, 897-6471.

Light of World to hold health fair

Light of the World Ministries, Church of God in Christ, Daleville, Ga. 23.

"Family Health and Wellness Day" will be held at 188 Robert C. Barnes St., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Children's health activities will be available during the health information sessions for teenagers and adults.

Refreshments will be served. For more information call 598-4247 or 393-7972.

Harris Temple Grocery Ministry to be giving away groceries

The Harris Temple C.O.G.I.C. Grocery Ministry will be giving free groceries to the needy on Thursday, August 21, 1997 at the old Mulberry School from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on a first come first serve basis.

ESJC offers Adult Education class instruction

Enterprise State Junior College, in cooperation with the Southeast Alabama Adult Education Network, offers adult education instruction in literacy, basic reading, writing, math, and preparation for the GED Test.

Classes are being taught at **NO CHARGE** at: Elba Head Start Center - Mondays and Tuesdays, 8 - 11 a.m. Kinston High School - Wednesdays, 3:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Interested adults may enroll in these **FREE** adult education classes at any time and at any session. Call 393-ESJC, Ext. 218 or 897-6285 for more information.

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Coffee County Schools Menu Aug. 25 - 29, 1997

BREAKFAST
Monday - Cheese Toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Chicken Toast, Sticks, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Pancake Pops, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Thursday - Blueberry Muffins, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - Sausage Biscuit, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

LUNCH
Monday - Pizza Burger or Fish Nuggets, Steamed Cabbage, Canned Fruit, Whole White Potatoes, Gravy, Milk
Tuesday - Chicken Stir Fry or Hamburger Steak, Baked Beans, Baked Onion Rings, Fresh Fruit, Rice, Milk
Wednesday - Steak Sandwich or Pepperoni Pizza, Corn on Cob, Green Beans, Apple Crisp, Ice Cream, Milk
Thursday - Fish Sandwich or Chicken Nuggets, Turnips, Lite Potato Salad, Canned Fruit, Cornbread, Crackers, Milk
Friday - Hamburger or Turkey Burrito, Mixed Vegetables, French Fries, Fresh Fruit, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk

Revised City of Elba TRASH SCHEDULE

MONDAYS - Kinston Highway--All roads and streets connecting this highway
Brookdale
Free Subdivision
New Town

TUESDAYS - New Brockton Highway--(84 East)--All roads and streets connecting this highway
Smith Avenue
Kings Circle
Riverview
Herman Driggers Drive
Old Town

WEDNESDAYS - Bypass road - Smith Ave. to Troy Highway and Troy Highway to Brantley Highway

Troy Highway--All roads and streets connecting this highway
Cedar Lane Drive
Flournoy

THURSDAYS - Brantley Highway--All roads and streets connecting this highway
Highland Drive
Forest Lake Drive
Teresa St.
Rebecca St.
Sunset Blvd.
Taylor Mill Road
Mulberry Heights
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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION
DOUGHTY JEAN PARKER, PLAINTIFF
VS.
BARBARA J. CARPENTER AND SHERMAN ELLIOTT BOYD, DEFENDANTS
CASE NO. CV 97-84
NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 10th day of August, 1997, by the Hon. William O. Gammill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, I am hereby giving notice to all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Parcel No. I
The SW 1/4 of SE 1/4, and the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, of Section 12, T6N, R19E, less right-of-way for Coffee County Road No. 345.

Parcel No. II
The west half of the NE 1/4 of Section 12, and all that part of the east half of the NW 1/4, lying East of County Road No. 345, less and except two acres of Shady Grove Church, all in Section 12, T6N, R19E.

All that part of the east half of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 12, T6N, R19E, lying west of County Road No. 345, less and except one acre conveyed to Charles J. Young, September 17, 1960 by warranty deed recorded in Deed Book 33-A, Page 565. Also less and except a three acre tract conveyed to Annie Lee Cole and Exile Cole October 27, 1960 recorded in Deed Book 34-A, Page 49.

Said property contains, the aggregate, 270 acres, less right of way for public road. Said sale will be held at 11:00 a.m. on the 4th day of September, 1997, at the Coffee County Court-house, Elba, Alabama. Terms of sale will be for cash.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court has caused this notice to be prepared for publication in a newspaper of general circulation in this County this 24th day of July, 1997.

/s/ Jim Ellis
Circuit Clerk
7:31; 8:7, 14, 21chg

ORDINANCE NO. 97-3
ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 1985-1 WHICH IS BEING REPEALED IS SET FORTH BELOW

AN ORDINANCE WHICH ADOPTED PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES
WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that Ordinance No. 1985-1, which incorporated by reference Personnel Rules and Regulations, for Municipal Personnel, codified at Chapter 56, Article II, Sections 56-12 continuing through Section 56-12 Code of Ordinances, City of Elba, Alabama, is hereby repealed.

LEGAL NOTICE
The Coffee County Board of Education is accepting bids on a 1997 Ford school bus. Only sealed bids will be accepted. Any and all bids can be rejected if deemed unacceptable by a representative of the Coffee County Board of Education. Bids will be opened at 12 noon, August 29, 1997.

A CBOE representative will be present at opening. For further information contact Jerry Barnes, Kinston High School, at 565-3017 or **/s/ Rodger K. Bowden, Superintendent, Coffee County School System** 8-21,28chg

ORDINANCE NO. 1985-1 WHICH IS BEING REPEALED IS SET FORTH BELOW
ORDINANCE ADOPTED PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, it is determined and timely for the establishment of rules and regulations governing all personnel of the City of Elba, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Elba, a municipal corporation, as follows: That the Personnel Rules and Regulations attached hereto and incorporated by reference, be adopted and established as the permanent rules and regulations governing all municipal personnel while in the employ of the City of Elba.

BE IT ALSO ORDAINED, that a permanent copy of said Personnel Rules and Regulations be maintained for public view, inspection and copying in the office of the City Clerk during the regular business hours of the municipality.

ADOPTED this 11th day of August, 1997, by a vote of 5 in favor of the ordinance and 0 against said ordinance.

APPROVED this 11th day of August, 1997.
/s/ James Grimes
Mayor

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION
I, Donnie Morrow, the City Clerk for the City of Elba, certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 97-3, duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elba, Alabama, at a regular meeting held at Elba City Hall on August 11, 1997, was caused by me to be published in the Elba Clipper, a newspaper published and of general circulation in the City of Elba, Coffee County, Alabama, in the issue of August 21, 1997.

/s/ Donnie Morrow
Date: August 12, 1997
City Clerk
8-21,27-chg

ESTATE OF A.D. FULLER DECEASED
PROBATE COURT
Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 11th day of August, 1997, by the Hon. William O. Gammill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, I am hereby giving notice to all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jeanice P. Fuller
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New debit cards for DHR clients

The Coffee County Department of Human Resources (DHR) will begin using the state's new Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) system for issuing government benefits on October 1, 1997.

The new system will replace checks and Food Stamp coupons with a plastic, magnetic-stripped debit card which will access a recipient's account.

Recipients of cash benefits can use these cards in participating stores or automated teller machines (ATMs). Food Stamp recipients must still use their benefits on food at U.S. Department of Agriculture-authorized grocery stores.

The new system will be more convenient for recipients by eliminating checks delayed in the mail or stolen from mailboxes, and transportation to food stamp issuance points.

"The new EBT system is the first of its kind in the nation," said DHR Director Lynda Biddle. "It will save state taxpayers millions of dollars in administrative costs and improve services to county residents who receive government benefits."

EBT is expected to reduce welfare fraud. Trafficking in Food Stamp coupons will be eliminated. The electronic trails created by the EBT system will make it easier to trace recipients and retailers who abuse the system.

Approximately 1,426 EBT cards will be mailed to Coffee County residents.

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GFA Peanut Association mails checks

GFA Peanut Association mailed checks totaling \$52,954,687.94 on August 1, 1997 to 4,070 peanut farmers in the Southeast for the 1996 crop of peanuts marketed by the Association, according to Dykes Adams, Director.

The monies returned represented the profits on 121,242 tons of peanuts placed into loan by producers from the 1996 crop. The law mandates that GFA establish six pools.

The Segregation-1 Quota pool, the Segregation-2 Disaster Quota pool, and the Segregation-3 Disaster Quota pool had losses that were offset by additional pool profits. The Segregation-1 Additional pool had an average profit of \$192 per ton and the Segregation-3 Additional pool had an average profit of \$177 per ton.

Adkins said that GFA Peanut Association has put in the hands of the peanut producers \$53,059,275.73 for the 121,242 tons of 1996 crop peanuts placed into loan through loan advances, pool payments, and disaster transfer payments.

GFA has served Southeastern peanut farmers for 60 years. GFA Peanut Association was organized and chartered in 1937 as a non-profit Association according to Director through GFA.

Adkins. Records show that over \$542 million has been returned by GFA to Southeast peanut growers since the 1952 crop. All profits earned have been returned to participating growers.

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Views from...

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Mularz family grew by one last week with the addition on Cintia Nunes, a foreign exchange student from Brazil. Cintia is sixteen-years-old, which puts two teenagers in the house, and even though I haven't really gotten the hang of having one teenage girl, I guess two will be twice the fun, or the headache. Oh well, I've been the only male in the house for years, and now I'm simply outnumbered four-to-one instead of three-to-one!

DUSTING OFF THE DESK...

***The Elba Tigers opened fall practice last week, and despite the intense heat, had a good opening week of practice. Approximately 35 players made it through the pre-season drills and advanced on to fall practice, and while the number is less than hoped for, the talent level is far from being empty and the players all seem ready to get the season started and ready to begin paying some folks back for last year's 4-7 season. It's way too early to tell, but the players are excited, and that can only help when it comes time to kick off the season in just two weeks.

***Former-Elba Tiger standout Ronald McKinnon continued to pile up the honors last week when he was named to the NCAA Division II "Football Team of the Quarter Century." At first glance it might not seem like that big an honor, but when one looks down the list and finds such greats as Walter Payton, Andre Reed, John Stallworth, Tyrone McGriff, Harry Carson, Pierce Holt, Greg Lloyd, Donnie Shell, Darrell Green and Sean Landeta on the list, it gives it instant credibility. McKinnon was the top vote getter at linebacker, ahead of NFL star Greg Lloyd, which only adds to the honor. Mark my word, one day he will also be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame.

***Elba High School filled its coaching ranks again last week with the hiring of Marlon Johnston as the new head basketball coach. Johnston is a native of McIntosh, in Southwest Alabama, and for the past six years has been an assistant coach at Tuscaloosa County High School. The people up in Tuscaloosa County have stated that the new Tiger coach is more than ready to become a head coach, and will do a fantastic job. The cupboard is far from bare in the Elba basketball program, and if Coach Johnston will just hang around more than a year or two, maybe he can turn it into the power it once was not so long ago.

***The Elba Youth Football League team's are hard at work in preparation for the upcoming season, and it is really great to see all the volunteer coaches and parents willing to give so much of their spare time to help the youngsters learn a little about the sport. This year there appears to be a large number of players on all the teams, which must mean that football is alive and well in Tigertown.

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SPORTS

Elba's McKinnon among Division II honorees

The names of such NFL greats as Walter Payton, John Stallworth, Andre Reed and Greg Lloyd were included among those honored last week on the "NCAA Division II Football Team of the Quarter Century." However, the name of former Elba Tiger standout Ronald McKinnon was also included on the honored list, and was the name area football fans recognized most.

A nationwide panel of current and former sports information directors chose the 34-player team as part of the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Division II championship game.

The players will be honored as part of the pre-game activities at the 25th title game, set for December 13, 1997, at Florence, Alabama.

McKinnon, a former All-State performer at Elba High School, was named the Gulf South Conference Defensive Player of the Quarter Century, and in 1995 was the first defensive player to win the coveted Harlon Hill Trophy, as the NCAA

Marlon Johnston is picked to head Elba basketball program

Elba High School filled its head basketball coaching vacancy last week when it named Marlon Johnston to lead the Tiger program.

Johnston, a native of McIntosh, Alabama, became the sixth head basketball coach over the past eight years at Elba High School.

Johnston, a 1985 graduate of McIntosh High School, attended Bacone College in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and later graduated from Northeastern State University, in Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

He began his career in education at Tahlequah High School, and for the past six years has been teaching and coaching at Tuscaloosa County High School, in Northport, Alabama.

During his career at Tuscaloosa County High School, a 6A school, Johnston has served as a physical education and driver's education instructor, served as assistant football

coach, assistant baseball coach, head girl's basketball coach, assistant varsity boys basketball coach, and head junior varsity boys basketball coach.

Johnston played both baseball and basketball at Bacone College, while at McIntosh he competed in baseball, basketball, track and football.

In addition to his duties as head basketball coach and driver's education instructor, Coach Johnston will also coach junior high football.

Bass tournament & loads of fun is set for Aug. 30-31

The Bainbridge-Decatur County Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the first annual Labor Day Celebration, along with the second annual Jack Wingate Open Team Bass Tournament, on August 30-31.

The Jack Wingate Open has a guaranteed purse of \$20,000, with prizes 1-30 receiving cash prizes.

Other activities with the tournament include BBQ on Friday evening and lots of door prizes.

The Labor Day Celebration will kick off Saturday morning with a fun run at 8:00 AM, and will be followed with an inline skate race, casting competition for kids, pony rides, arts and crafts, and all day entertainment.

The entry fee for the tournament is only \$150 per team, and to enter call 1-800-243-4774.

ESJC to offer swimming and yoga classes

Classes offered at Enterprise State Junior College this fall include: Beginning Yoga - classes will include exercises to enhance concentration as well as improve body flexibility and range of motion, and each class will conclude with a deep relaxation exercise.

This class is for any age person. Students should wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or quilt to each class.

The course will be taught Tuesdays 5:30 - 7 p.m., Sept. 9 - Oct. 14. Registration deadline is Sept. 2, and there is a \$40 fee for the course.

Leisure Swimming - The pool will be available for approximately 24 hours per week. Tentative hours are 11:45 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 5 - 7 p.m. Monday - Thursday, and 9 - Noon Fridays.

Fee for individual participants is \$25; and \$40 for families. There is no registration deadline and participants may sign up at any time during the season.

For more information on any of these courses, call 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 234.

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RB	Johnny Bailey *	A & M - Kingsville	1986-89
RB	Ronald Moore	Pittsburg State	1989-92
RB	Walter Payton	Jackson State	1971-74
WR	Andre Reed	Kutztown	1981-84
WR	John Stallworth *	Alabama A & M	1970-73
WR	Ronnie West	Pittsburg State	1991-92
OL	Larry Allen *	Sonoma State	1992-93
OL	Earl Dotson	A & M - Kingsville	1991-92
OL	Howard Ballard	Alabama A & M	1983-87
OL	Mike Faver	North Dakota State	1985-88
OL	Grant Faeel	Abilene Christian	1979-82
OL	Tyrone McGriff	Florida A & M	1976-79
OL	John Thompson	North Alabama	1992-95
TE	Brent Jones	Santa Clara	1982-85

DEFENSE

DL	Harry Carson	South Carolina St.	1971-74
DL	Phil Hansen *	North Dakota State	1987-90
DL	Pierce Holt	Angelo State	1984-87
DL	John Randle	A & M - Kingsville	1988-89
DL	Israel Raybon	North Alabama	1992-95
LB	Jim Dick	North Dakota State	1982-86
LB	Greg Lloyd	Ft. Valley State	1983-86
LB	Ronald McKinnon *	North Alabama	1992-95
LB	John Mobley	Kutztown	1991-95
LB	Donnie Shell	South Carolina St.	1970-73
LB	Frank Sherwood	Bloomsburg	1982-85
LB	Lee Woodall	West Chester	1989-93
DB	Chris Brown	Pittsburg State	1992-95
DB	Tom Collins	Indianapolis	1982-85
DB	Eric Collins	Jacksonville State	1986-89
DB	Darrell Green *	A & M - Kingsville	1981-82
DB	Tyrone Poole	Ft. Valley State	1991-94
PK	James Knowles	North Alabama	1982-85
P	Sean Landeta	Townson State	1979-82
Coach	Bobby Wallace	North Alabama	1988-

(* denotes top vote getter at position)

ELBA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
Recreation Report

Youth football registration now underway in Elba

Registration for boys and girls ages 6-12 who wish to participate in the Youth Football League, sponsored by the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation, is now underway. The league will consist of three teams - ages 6-8, 9-10 and 11-12, with a player's age on October 1 being the date used to determine eligibility. A registration fee of \$15 is charged, which will be used to provide jerseys to all players. Equipment rental is also available through the department.

The season will begin on August 30, and will include games on Saturday nights for eight straight weeks. The Elba teams will compete in the Tri-County Youth Football League along with teams from New Brockton, Zion Chapel, Kinston, Straughn, Red Level, Andalusia, Opp, Brantley, Florida and Pleasant Home.

Registration forms are available at City Hall, the Elba Public Pool and at the Elba Recreation Center. For more information, contact the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation at 897-6833.

Cheerleader registration is now underway in Elba

Registration for girls and boys ages 6-12 who wish to participate in the Elba Youth Football League as cheerleaders is now underway. The league, which includes both players and cheerleaders, is sponsored by the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation, and includes cheerleader squads for ages 6-8, 9-10 and 11-12. A cheerleader's age on October 1 will determine which league she will cheer in during the current season.

A \$15 registration fee is charged, which will be used to provide all cheerleaders with pom-poms. The cheerleaders will be responsible for purchasing their own uniforms.

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The Oz Of Leadership



(l-r): Elizabeth Strong, Julie Robertson, Laura Crowe, Vaughan Boyd

by Vaughn Boyd

During the week of July 20-24, the officers of the Elba High School Student Government Association were involved in a week of leadership workshops at the University of North Alabama in Florence, Alabama. The Alabama Association of Student Councils Summer Leadership Workshop goal was to teach the knowledge and skills that delegates need to perform their student council jobs effectively.

The workshops and sessions were designed to enhance three very important ingredients of leadership: brains, heart, and courage. Many schools throughout the state attended the conference and there learned to follow the Yellow Brick Road to the Oz of Leadership.

The student council officers are Elizabeth Strong, president; Julie Robertson, vice-president; Laura Crowe, secretary; and Vaughn Boyd, reporter.

Mauldin Attends Girls State

by Marsha Mauldin

My week at Girls State was one of the most memorable and eye-opening experiences I will ever have. I met new friends, learned new things, and had lots of fun.

When I arrived at Huntington, I immediately made friends with the girls in my room and my dorm. Throughout the week, we thoroughly enjoyed seeing and listening to them. We had a picnic on the capitol grounds with Boys State and we enjoyed that also.

Everyone was homesick until it was time to go home. Tenseful exchanges of hugs and good-byes left us with a feeling of sadness. Personally, I gained new knowledge and new perspective on important issues and made some of the best friends I will ever have. This was truly a life-changing experience.

There was a skit night and our city did "Grease - Girls State Style". Another fun thing was the inaugural reception. The Enterprise FFA String Band played music ranging from country to alternative. Being deprived of males all week, we thoroughly enjoyed seeing and listening to them. We had a picnic on the capitol grounds with Boys State and we enjoyed that also.

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Wednesday - Pancakes or Cereal, Syrup, Juice, Milk	Wednesday - Hoagie Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Potato Wedges, Broccoli w/ Cheese, Chocolate Pudding, Milk
Thursday - Sausage & Biscuit or Cereal, Juice, Milk	Thursday - Corn Dog, Macaroni & Cheese, Turnips, Half Apple, Milk
Friday - Cheese Toast or Cereal, Fruit, Milk	Friday - Chicken Fried Beef Patty, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Field Peas, Cherry Cobbler, Roll, Milk

ESJC has new computer maintenance program

A new Computer Maintenance Technology Certificate Program has been established at Enterprise State Junior College, which will answer occupational needs and demands in that field.

With a greater number of computers in use, there will be a greater need for repair for home users as well as those selling the computers and offering maintenance contracts," said Dr. Sue Baum, chairperson for the Computer and Information Science Division at ESJC. According to a 1996 update of the Occupational Outlook Handbook, computer repairers will be in very high demand as the use of computers increases, and "applicants for computer repairer positions will have the most favorable job prospects," the handbook states.

Potential students include former and current computer science students, adult workers who wish to upgrade or change careers, people who like and are good at taking things apart and putting them together using logic and doing troubleshooting, and people in other career fields such as mechanics or other electronics fields," says Dr. Baum. "It would be good if they have some math and physics background from high school."

For more information concerning the program, call 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 260. Fall quarter classes will begin Sept. 5. For more information about registering, call Ext. 234.

Pictured are Computer Maintenance Technology program students Jimmy Everett working on a computer, and instructor Lewie Vickers.

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Kelley State FFA Officer

Leigh Kelley, a member of the Elba FFA Chapter, has been selected to serve the Alabama FFA Association as Reporter for the 1997-98 school year. Her selection to this position was announced during the State FFA Convention.

Leigh has been involved in the FFA since the eighth grade. She has served as chapter vice-president for two years and has been the district secretary. She has participated in livestock shows, as well as livestock judging career development events. She has attended both the State and National FFA conventions, as well as participating in various leadership conferences.

In addition to her FFA activities, Leigh is also involved in many other school activities including the Beta Club, Mu Alpha Theta, SADD, and Who's Who Among American High School Students. She has also participated in softball and volleyball.

Leigh's parents are Durwood and Wanda Kelley of Elba. Her FFA advisor and instructor of agriculture technology education at Elba High School is Jacob Davis.



Tiger Band Camp 1997 State FFA Convention

by Marsha Mauldin

Once again the Elba Marching Tiger Band Camp has passed and the band members learned most of their half-time show. At the beginning of the week, members learned how to march their show without their instruments and by the end of the week, they were both playing and marching the half-time show for the 1997 season.

Many of the hours of band camp were spent outside on the band practice field, but during the hottest part of the day, band members stayed inside and practiced learning their new music. Instructors or "staf" from Troy State University spent the week working with the various sections of the band including percussion, woodwinds, brass, colorguard, and dance-line.

Although this year's band consists of many young players, Mr. Jeff Ellis, band director, thinks this will be the biggest and best band that Elba has seen in the past few years. Band members and parents alike are excited about the upcoming year.

Leigh Kelley
AEC Tour Winner

by Marsha Mauldin

Every year the Alabama Electric Cooperative carefully selects one student from each of several schools in the state to travel on an all-expense paid tour of Washington D.C. The winners are chosen based on their essays and interviews about electric cooperatives or electricity in general. Elba High School's 1997 winner is Leigh Kelley.

On the tour, she visited such historical sights as the Arlington National Cemetery, the Washington monument, the Lincoln and Jefferson memorials, and the Vietnam Wall. She met Alabama senators and representatives, and even Bob Dole's wife, Elizabeth, while changing planes in Atlanta.

While speaking with her recently, she commented on her experiences. "It was great. We really had a good time. I enjoyed meeting different people from around the state and making new friends. I learned a lot about national history and I loved seeing the historical sights."

Leigh is a senior at Elba High School and is the daughter of Durwood and Wanda Kelley.



(l-r): Brit Grimes, Hunter Hargrove, Leigh Kelley, Bucky Carlie

The Elba FFA attended the 68th Annual State FFA convention in Montgomery, Alabama on June 10, 11, and 12. The convention was exciting this year as Leigh Kelley was selected to serve as State FFA Reporter for the 1997-98 school year. Leigh and Trent Calhoun also received their State FFA Degrees during the Convention. Three other chapter officers attended the convention; they were: Brit Grimes, Hunter Hargrove, and Bucky Carlie.

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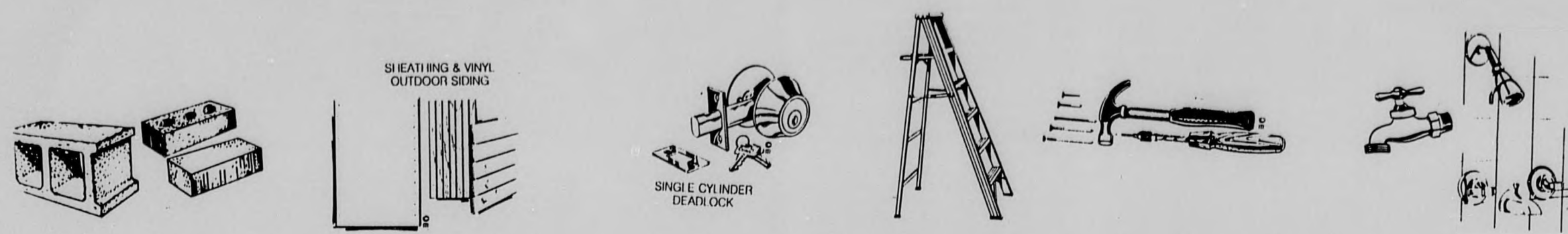
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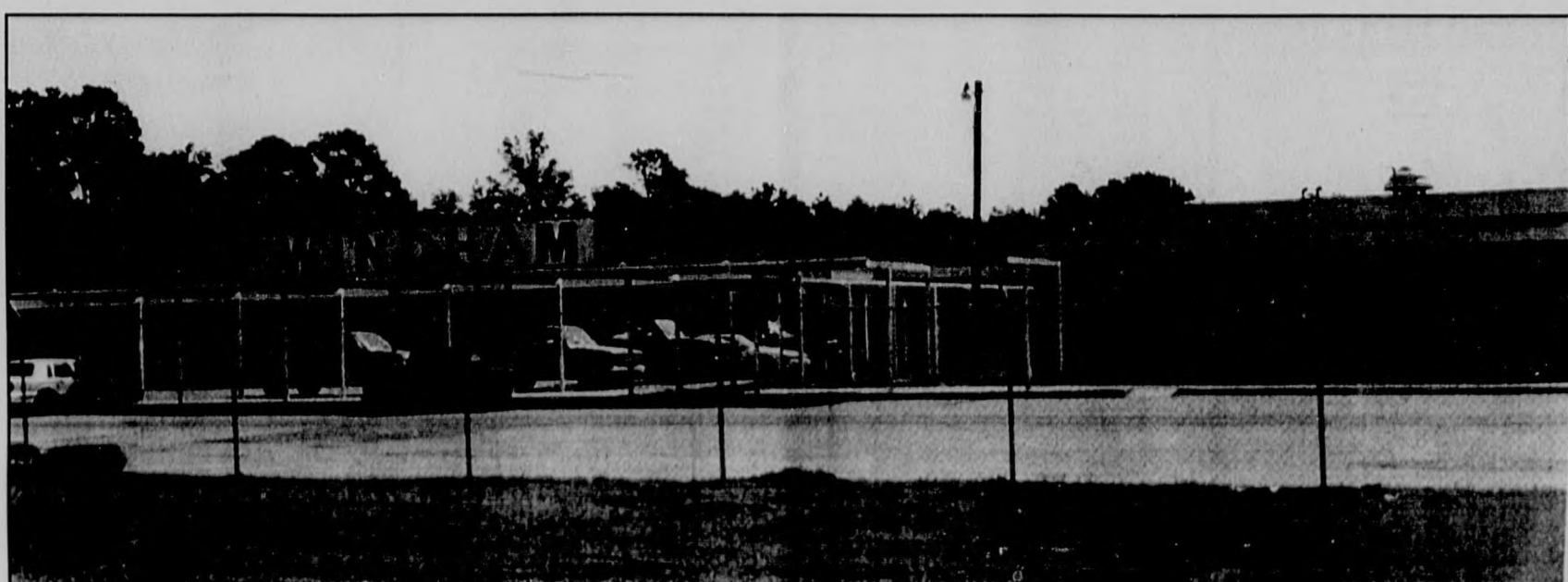
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CITY OF ELBA'S PROPOSED BUDGET TOTALS \$2,166,400.00

Smoking & rental ordinances passed

by Ferrin Cox - Publisher

The Elba City Council followed through with plans and passed a no-smoking ordinance Monday night during regular activities. As previously reported, the ordinance limits smoking in or around any city owned building, etc. to designated areas. Violations are punishable by law.

Also passed into law was a new rental tax ordinance, designed to put Elba's tax laws in line with those of the State of Alabama. Elba will return to the Alabama Revenue Department as collector of sales taxes, effective October 1, 1997. For several years Elba has used a private firm to collect sales taxes. However, several incidents of large tax payments not being paid, and no enforcement efforts being made, has prompted the city to revert back to the old standard.

The council decided to have the engineer on the proposed sewer project officially notify the federal agencies furnishing the money that Elba plans to proceed with the pro-

ject but will hold public hearings, or meetings, prior to committing any additional money to the project.

Representatives of the Elba Rescue Squad expressed concerns to the council about confusion and bad communications. After several minutes of emotional discussion, the council members asked the mayor to get with the rescue squad, police chief and city attorney and see if this matter could be once again resolved.

Mayor James Grimes reviewed the proposed budget for the new year with council members. He asked they study the proposal and be prepared to make changes or approve it soon, hopefully at the next council meeting.

The proposed 1997-98 budget for the city totals \$2,166,400. It includes a 2 1/2% pay increase for merit employees and an increase for firemen from \$12.74 per fire to \$13.25 a fire.

Grimes pointed out that he had included no matching money for the long discussed bike path from 203 Bypass to the new school. He said the latest estimates on the cost make the project entirely too expensive.

Elba City School Board hires fires & shuffles personnel

by Ferrin Cox - Publisher

In a special called meeting, the Elba City School Board hired a new basketball coach, shuffled some lunchroom workers and voted to terminate the employment contract of an elementary teacher.

The board accepted the recommendation of Superintendent Charles Pearce and named Marlon Johnson as head boys basketball coach and driver education teacher. He comes to Elba from Tuscaloosa.

Also, the board voted to hire Johnson's wife as an aide at the elementary school. She will additional work in the high school environment.

Mrs. Johnson will work on a new project assisting children of migrant workers and developing parenting skills.

Erma Green was hired as a full time lunchroom worker. She comes from the Troy schools. Also hired full time was Barbara Waldon, who was a part time employee. Pearce said they were working to get all lunchroom workers full time, rather than multiple part-time workers.

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Alabama State Troopers predict 16 will die during Labor Day holiday

The Alabama Department of Public Safety estimates 16 people will be killed in traffic wrecks during the 78-hour Labor Day travel period that begins at 6 p.m. Friday, August 29, and ends at midnight Monday, September 1.

In 1996, 12 people died as a result of traffic wrecks during the 78-hour Labor Day holiday period. Nine of the deaths occurred on rural roads and three in urban areas. At least seven of the deaths were alcohol related.

State troopers expect traffic to be heavy during the last warm-weather holiday period of the year. They urge motorists to drive with caution, using seat belts, securing children in child safety seats and obeying all traffic laws.

Also during the holiday weekend, state troopers will join sheriff and police departments throughout the state in conducting a series of sobriety checkpoints. This crackdown on drunken driving, called "Operation

Zero Tolerance," was initiated during the July Fourth holiday period and resulted in 317 DUI arrests.

All available troopers will be on duty to enforce speed limits and all other traffic laws during the holiday period.

Federal overtime grants aimed at speed limit and DUI enforcement will allow an increase in trooper presence. Aerial speed enforcement will be a part of troopers' speed limit enforcement activity in some parts of the state.

Troopers will concentrate patrols on heavily traveled vacation beach routes, including interstate highways, and U.S. 231 and 331 south of Montgomery.

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CLOSE CALL... On Wednesday, August 20, shortly after 3:00 p.m., an automobile driven by Jennifer Newkirk, 16, of Ozark, AL, left the roadway and overturned. She was thrown from the vehicle. A passenger in the car, Lisa Newkirk, 6, of Ozark, AL, remained in the car. Both young ladies are students at Zion Chapel High School & Elementary School and were on their way home from school. The accident occurred on Co. Rd. 215. Both girls were taken to Elba General Hospital by a unit of the Elba Rescue Squad. Lisa was treated and released while Jennifer was transferred to a Dothan hospital for further treatment. The accident was investigated by the Alabama State Troopers. Assisting at the scene were Coffee County Sheriff's deputies and volunteer firemen from Zion Chapel and Five Star.

That is another matter he asked the council to consider and comment on at the next meeting.

The mayor noted the cost of the path is now up to \$133,000 for asphalt and higher for concrete. Elba is only eligible for a \$50,600 grant to fund this work.

Elba has officially been the dog pound for Coffee County for several years. The county pays the city a contractual amount of \$300 for this service. The council voted Monday evening to continue this for another year, but to increase the fee to \$500, due to the number of dogs the county brings to the local pound.

Unanimous approval was given to purchase half-page ad at the local high school annual at a cost of \$100.

ATTEMPT MADE TO DISPEL RUMORS OF CLOSING RURAL VOTING HOUSES

Commission meeting brief and to the point

by Marvin McLain - Editor

Commissioners almost beat their record on holding short meetings with Monday's meeting lasting just over thirty minutes.

The agenda was so short that one was not even passed out to members of the news media present.

County Engineer Randy Tindell was first to address the commission and he had some good news.

"We were successful in obtaining some extra federal aid funds for the replacement of a bridge over Stanley Mill Creek on Co. Rd. 442," said Tindell.

He requested the commission pass a resolution authorizing the commission chairman to sign the necessary paperwork entering into an agreement with the state for the construction of that bridge.

The bridge and road is located in the Perry Store Community. Tindell also asked that he be allowed to send out bid requests for the commission chairman to sign the necessary paperwork entering into an agreement with the state for the construction of that bridge.

He called commissioners' attention to two legislative acts dealing with garbage which were discussed during the convention.

One was Act No. 712 which dealt with the criminal littering statute and the other was Act No. 636 concerning exemptions for payment of solid waste collection fees.

Basically, Act 712 allows a county or municipality to bring ac-

tion against an individual for criminal littering based on evidence that creates rebuttable presumption.

Under Section 13A-7-29(f), the officer of the governing body must provide the suspected person with that he or she knowingly deposited the following:

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financial documents) found in an accumulation of garbage contain his or her name;

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Owen Ziglar's fourth & final trial underway in Elba

by Marvin McLain - Editor

afternoon. Ziglar cannot be convicted of any charge greater than that of manslaughter. Should he be convicted, he could be sentenced up to 20 years in prison.

Monday afternoon, Assistant District Attorney Al Smith gave the opening argument for the state. He was convicted on the lesser charge of manslaughter in a 1991 trial.

In 1993, the 1991 conviction was overturned by the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals and a new trial was ordered. The appeals court ruled that Ziglar's estranged wife was forced to testify against him.

The case was retried (second trial) in December of 1994 and the jury was unable to reach a verdict, thus causing a mistrial to be declared.

On Friday afternoon, May 10, 1996, Owen Ziglar's third trial ended in a hung jury with a mistrial being declared by Circuit Judge William "Bill" Barr late in the afternoon.

Ziglar is being represented by Richard Whitaker and Stafford Pittman, both of Enterprise. The jury began hearing testimony in the case Tuesday morning.

Enterprise murder suspects' preliminary hearings postponed

by Marvin McLain - Editor

The preliminary hearings for two men charged with an Enterprise murder were postponed.

Kassey Bernard Reedy, 25, of Enterprise, and Marcus Antonio Jones, 26, of Daleville, were both supposed to have a preliminary hearing on Wednesday, August 20. They did not.

The two men were arrested and have been charged with the July 28 murder of Howard Jenkins, 41, an assistant manager of an Enterprise grocery store.

Reedy is being represented by Richard "Cracker" Waldrop; however, Jones failed to secure an attorney to represent him during the preliminary hearing.

Jones has since made application for an attorney to be appointed by the court.

District Judge Steve Blair rescheduled preliminary hearing for both defendants on Wednesday, August 27, at 3:00 p.m.

Should Jones and Reedy be tried and found guilty of the capital murder charge, they could be facing the electric chair or life in prison. District Attorney Mark Fuller has indicated that the state will be seeking the death penalty in the case.

City of Elba Garbage Collection Week of Sept. 1

Monday - No pickup; Monday's route will be picked up on Tuesday; Tuesday's & Wednesday's route will be picked up on Wednesday; Thursday's and Friday's routes will be collected as usual.

** HAPPENINGS **

FOGGY BOTTOM FESTIVAL. The Elba Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a "Miss Foggy Bottom" Pageant in conjunction with Fogg Bottom Festival on Saturday, September 6, 1997. The festival and pageant, as well as many other activities, will be held in Miller Memorial Stadium in downtown Elba. The day's activities will begin at 12:00 noon and conclude with a concert by Rob & Kelly Hudson and Nashville band at 6:00 p.m. Tickets for the concert are now on sale. The cost is \$5. For additional information call the Elba Chamber of Commerce at 897-3125.

COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGED. The New Brockton Town Council will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, September 8, at 7:00 p.m. in lieu of September 1. The meeting will be held in the town hall.

ELBA CITY HALL TO CLOSE. The City of Elba will be closed Monday, September 1, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Standby crews with the street and water & electric department will be available for emergencies. To report these emergencies call the Elba Police Department at 897-2555.

RESERVE SEATING & PARKING. Reserve seats and one-year reserved parking are now available for Elba High School's home football games in Tiger Stadium. Contact Pam Baker at Elba High School @ 897-2266.

NEWS BRIEFS

A thief with no conscience stole the U. S. Marine Corps flag from Veterans Memorial Park located on U. S. Hwy. 84E. A \$1,000 reward is being offered to the person providing information leading to the arrest of person(s) responsible for the theft. Call the Elba Police Department at 897-2555 or Crimestoppers at 897-3881.

Local law enforcement and several volunteers spent several hours searching for a Zion Chapel youth Monday night. The youngster, Jeffery Boutwell, 13, was last seen at approximately 5:20 p.m. running into a wooded area west of AL Hwy. 87 near the Jack Post Office. Coffee County Sheriff's deputies, aided by an Alabama State Trooper Helicopter and tracking dogs from the state prison in Clato, searched the wooded area. The youth finally came out of the woods and went to his grandfather's house. The search ended shortly before midnight. Assisting authorities in the search were volunteer firemen, and numerous friends and neighbors. The youth gave no reason to authorities for his actions.